

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Bills Introduced:** 18 public bills, H.R. 1745–1762; and 1 resolution, H. Res. 165, were introduced.

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**Reports Filed:** One report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 166, providing for consideration of H.R. 775, to establish certain procedures for civil actions brought for damages relating to the failure of any device or system to process or otherwise deal with the transition from the year 1999 to the year 2000 (H. Rept. 106–134).

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**Speaker Pro Tempore:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Upton to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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**Recess:** The House recessed at 12:58 p.m. and reconvened at 2:00 p.m.

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**Suspensions:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

**Fastener Quality Act:** H.R. 1183, amended, to amend the Fastener Quality Act to strengthen the protection against the sale of mismarked, misrepresented, and counterfeit fasteners and eliminate unnecessary requirements;

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**Technology Transfer Commercialization Act:** H.R. 209, amended, to improve the ability of Federal agencies to license federally owned inventions;

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**Fire Administration Authorization Act:** H.R. 1550, amended, to authorize appropriations for the United States Fire Administration for fiscal years 2000 and 2001 (passed by a yeas and nays vote of 417 yeas to 3 nays, Roll No. 121); and

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**Tribute to Slain Peace Officers:** H. Res. 165, acknowledging the dedication and sacrifice made by the men and women who have lost their lives while serving as law enforcement officers (passed by a yeas and nays vote of 420 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 122).

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**Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:** Read a letter from the Chairman of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure wherein he transmitted copies of resolutions adopted on April 15, 1999 by the Committee, copies of which are being transmitted to the Department of the Army—referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

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**Presidential Message—Satellite Technology Exports to China:** Read a message from the President, received on May 10 by the Clerk, wherein he transmits his certification that the export to the People's Republic of China of satellite fuels and separation systems for the U.S. origin Iridium commercial communications satellite program is not detrimental to the U.S. space launch industry and the material and equipment will not measurably improve the missile or space launch capabilities of the People's Republic of China—referred to the Committees on Armed Services and International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 106–60).

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**Recess:** The House recessed at 4:15 p.m. and reconvened at 6:00 p.m.

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**Motion to Instruct Conferees:** Representative Deutsch notified the House of his intention to offer a motion to instruct conferees to insist on the funding level of \$621 million contained under the heading “Central America and the Caribbean Emergency, Disaster Recovery Fund” of the House bill for necessary expenses to address the effects of hurricanes in Central America and the Caribbean and the earthquake in Colombia.

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**Amendments Ordered Printed:** Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page H2999.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Two yeas and nays votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H2960 and H2961. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 11:05 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### SOCIAL SECURITY RETURNS—USING LONG-TERM MARKET STRATEGIES

**Committee on the Budget:** Social Security Task Force held a hearing on Using Long-term Market Investment Strategies to Enhance Social Security Returns. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### NTIA REAUTHORIZATION ACT

**Committee on Commerce:** Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection held a hearing on the NTIA Reauthorization Act of 1999. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Commerce: Larry Irving, Assistant Secretary, Communications and Information; and George Ross, Assistant Inspector General, Auditing; Col. Richard W. Skinner, USAF, Assistant